

In re the Application of

Yoshikazu KASUYA

Serial No.: 09/963,903

Filing Date: Sept. 26, 2001

For: METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES AND
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES

Group Art Unit: 2814

Examiner: Rao, S.

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action dated Nov. 8, 2002, the response due date being extended to Monday, March 10, 2003 (March 8 was a Saturday) by the enclosed petition for extension of time, please enter and consider the following.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please delete the first paragraph and insert the following in its place:

--Applicant hereby incorporates by reference Japanese Application No. 2000-292142, filed September 26, 2000, in its entirety. Applicant hereby incorporates by reference U.S. Application Serial No. 09/963,168, filed September 26, 2001, in its entirety. Applicant hereby incorporates by reference U.S. Application Serial No. 09/963,924, filed September 26, 2001, in its entirety.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 5, 7 and 14-23 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1-4 and 9-13 as follows: